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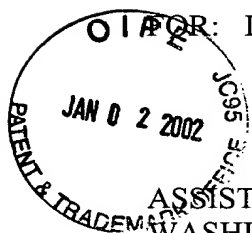
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Responsive to the Office Action of July 3, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows:

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- 1. (Amended) A composition of matter comprising a substance wherein said substance is solid at room temperature and has a water solubility of 30 wt.% or more at 37°C, a saturated aqueous solution of the substance having a viscosity of 50 mPa·s or less at 37°C.
  - Q1 2. (Amended) A composition of matter containing one or more substances selected from the group consisting of erythritol, trehalose, xylitol, and maltose.
  3. (Amended) A solid composition comprising the composition of matter claimed in